GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PLANNING
LOK SABHA

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KBK DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has received any proposal from the Government of Orissa to include more districts in the KBK Development Programme;

(b) if so, the reaction of the Government thereto ;

(c) whether the Government has any proposal to sanction additional financial package to the Government of Orissa for the development of KBK region ;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the funds released to the Government of Orissa during the last three years under this programme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING (SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) : Yes, sir.

(b) : It was not considered feasible to accede to the request of the State Government as the extension would result in spreading the available resources too thinly to have the needed impact in the KBK districts.

(c) : No, sir.

(d) : Does not arise.

(e) : Additional Central Assistance / Special Central Assistance released to the Government of Orissa for the KBK districts during the last three years is as under:-

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Additional Central Assistance/Special Central Assistance released during the year
2001-02	100.00
2002-03	200.00
2003-04	250.00#

Out of this, Rs.225 crore was released in 2003-04 and Rs.25 crore was released in April, 2004.